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Bridge Inspections on I-80 over the Des Plaines River

CHICAGO – The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) announced that routine bridge inspections will take place on Interstate 80 over the Des Plaines River, in Joliet, beginning, weather permitting, Monday, April 24.

The bridge inspections will require daily lane closures on the structure that carries Interstate 80 over the Des Plaines River. Closures will begin on the westbound I-80 bridge the week of Monday, April 24. Inspections will switch to the eastbound I-80 bridge on Monday, May 1, and will be completed by Saturday, May 6, weather permitting.

A minimum of two lanes will remain open while inspections are taking place. In order to minimize impacts to traffic, the closures will take place in off-peak travel hours from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday and Saturday, when necessary.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area. Drivers are urged to pay close attention to flaggers and signs in the work zones, obey the posted speed limits and be on the alert for workers and equipment.

Click here to find details on other construction projects in IDOT's District 1. Updates on the impacts to traffic are available at www.travelmidwest.com